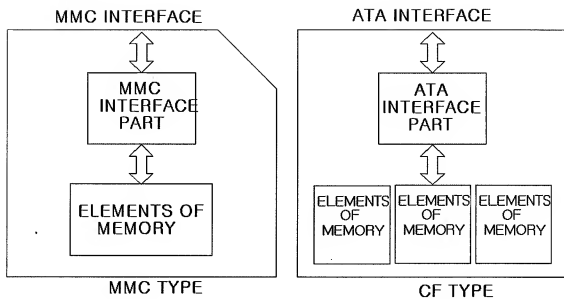






**FIG. 1**  
**(Prior Art)**



## FIG. 2

### (Prior Art)

Series "A" Connectors	Series "B" Connectors
<p>• Series "A" plugs are always oriented upstream towards the Host System</p>	<p>• Series "B" plugs are always oriented downstream towards the USB Device</p>
<div data-bbox="308 407 409 480">  </div> <div data-bbox="419 407 502 460"> <p>"A" Plugs (From the USB Device)</p> </div> <div data-bbox="300 513 455 585"> <p>"A" Receptacles (Downstream Output from the USB Host or Hub)</p> </div> <div data-bbox="461 519 533 579">  </div>	<div data-bbox="554 407 657 480">  </div> <div data-bbox="668 407 766 460"> <p>"B" Plugs (From the Host System)</p> </div> <div data-bbox="549 513 678 585"> <p>"B" Receptacles (Upstream Input to the USB Device or Hub)</p> </div> <div data-bbox="699 519 771 592">  </div>

**FIG. 9**  
**(Prior Art)**

